IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims as follows:

1. (Currently amended) MethodA method, comprising:

activating a user interface menu on a first mobile device in response to a first user input, said user interface menu comprising a plurality of both non-synchronization and synchronization related operation modes of the first mobile device,

receiving a <u>second</u> user input for selecting one <u>operational operation</u> mode from <u>a the</u> plurality of <u>operational operation</u> modes, in a first mobile terminal device, said operational modes being related to behavior of the first mobile terminal device in certain operational situations and

wherein if said one selected operation mode containing contains a command to perform an automated synchronization with a second mobile terminal device, the method further comprises: and a command to automatically switch off said first mobile terminal device after completion of said automated synchronization;

checking availability of the second mobile terminal device for performing the automated synchronization; and

if the second mobile terminal-device is available, performing said automated synchronization in accordance with pre-defined synchronization settings and automatically switching off said first mobile terminal device after completion of said automated synchronization, or

if the second mobile terminal device is unavailable or becomes unavailable for synchronization, aborting said automated synchronization, and said automatically switching off the first mobile terminal device,

wherein the automatically switching off of the first mobile terminal device is such that all service functions of the first mobile terminal device are terminated.

2-3. (Canceled)

4. (Currently amended) Method-The method according to claim 1, <u>further comprising wherein</u> said one selected operational mode comprises an activation that triggers an immediate

automated synchronization. automatically switching off said first mobile device after completion of said automated synchronization.

- 5. (Currently amended) Method The method according to claim 1, wherein aborting said automated synchronization further comprises automatically switching off the first mobile terminal devicesaid one selected operational mode once deactivated triggers an immediate automated synchronization.
- 6. (Currently amended) <u>Method-The method</u> according to claim 4, wherein said activation comprises switching on said first terminal device.
- 7. (Currently amended) <u>Method The method according to claim 1</u>, wherein said <u>first user</u> input triggers a switching-on of said first mobile terminal device.
- 8. (Currently amended) <u>Method-The method</u> according to claim 1, wherein said <u>second</u> user input triggers a switching-off of said first mobile terminal device.
- 9. (Currently amended) Method The method according to claim 1, wherein said pre-defined synchronization settings comprise information relating to properties including at least one of a group comprising:

information relating to specific data to be synchronized;

information relating to specific applications of which data is to be synchronized;

information about a type of synchronization;

information relating to said second mobile terminal-device;

authentication information;

information relating to a communication connection to be used for synchronization;

and information about an environment in which said automated synchronization is to

be carried out.

10. (Currently amended) Method-The method according to claim 1, wherein said automated

synchronization is performed via a local communication connection.

- 11. (Currently amended) <u>Method The method according to claim 1</u>, wherein said automated synchronization is performed in a device-to-device manner.
- 12. (Currently amended) <u>Method The method</u> according to claim 1, wherein said automated synchronization is based on a synchronization markup language standard.
- 13. (Currently amended) <u>Method-The method</u> according to claim 1, wherein said first mobile terminal-device is a cellular communication device.

14-15. (Canceled)

16. (Currently amended) Computer A computer program product comprising a computer readable storage medium storing program code thereon for use by for automated synchronization between a first terminal mobile device, said program code comprises:

instructions for activating a user interface menu on the mobile device in response to a first user input, said user interface menu comprising a plurality of both non-synchronization and synchronization related operation modes of the mobile device,

instructions for selecting one operation mode from the plurality of operation modes in response to a second user input,

wherein if said one selected operation mode contains a command to perform an automated synchronization with another device, the program code further comprises:

instructions for checking availability of the other device for performing the automated synchronization; and

instructions for performing said automated synchronization in accordance with predefined synchronization settings, if the other device is available, or

instructions for aborting said automated synchronization, if the other device is unavailable or becomes unavailable for synchronization.

and a second mobile terminal device, wherein said computer program product

comprises program code stored on a computer readable medium for carrying out the method of claim 1, when said computer program product is executed on a processing device.

17. (Currently amended) An apparatus, comprising:

a user interface, configured to receive user inputs,

a display unit, configured to display a user interface menu in response to a first user input, said user interface menu comprising a plurality of both non-synchronization and synchronization related operation modes of the apparatus,

an operation mode module, configured to select for receiving a user input for selecting one operational operation mode from a-the plurality of operational operation modes in response to a second user input, said operational modes being related to behavior of the apparatus in certain operational situations;

a synchronization component, <u>configured to determine</u> for <u>determining</u> if another apparatus is connectable and ready for synchronizing information stored in a data storage; and

a communication interface, <u>configured to exchange</u> for exchanging synchronization related information with the other apparatus;

wherein, <u>if</u> the one selected operational operation mode contains a command to perform an automated synchronization with said other apparatus, and a command to automatically switch off <u>the</u>said apparatus after completion of said automated synchronization, and

wherein

if said other apparatus is determined to be connectable and ready for synchronization, in response to said eommands. said synchronization component is activated configured to perform said automated synchronization with said other apparatus via said communication interface in accordance with pre-defined synchronization settings, and said apparatus is automatically switched off after completion of said automated synchronization, or

if said other apparatus is or becomes not connectable or not ready for synchronization, said automated synchronization component is configured to abort said automated synchronization. and said switching off the apparatus are aborted, whereby said apparatus is

not switched off, and

wherein the automatically switching off of the apparatus is such that all service functions of the apparatus are terminated.

18. (Canceled)

19. (Currently amended) Apparatus The apparatus according to claim 17, wherein said user interface comprises a power on/off actuator for triggering a switching on and a switching off of said apparatus.

20. (Currently amended) Apparatus The apparatus according to claim 17, wherein said communication interface is for exchanging said synchronization related information via a local communication connection in a device-to-device manner.

21-27. (Canceled)

28. (Currently amended) An apparatus, comprising:

means for receiving user inputs;

means for displaying a user interface menu in response to a first user input, said user interface menu comprising a plurality of both non-synchronization and synchronization related operation modes of the apparatus;

means for receiving a user input to selectselecting one operational operation mode from thea plurality of operational operation modes in response to a second user input, said operation-modes being related to behavior of the apparatus in certain operational situations and

said one selected operational mode containing a command to performing an automated synchronization with another apparatus and a command to automatically switch off the apparatus after completion of said automated synchronization;

means for checking availability of said secondanother apparatus for performing said automated synchronization; and

means for performing said automated synchronizations with the other apparatus in accordance with pre-defined synchronization settings; and means for switching off the apparatus after completion of said automatic synchronization, wherein if said one selected operation mode contains a command to perform an automated synchronization with the other apparatus, and

if the other apparatus is available, said automated synchronization is performed-and said apparatus is automatically switched off after completion of said automated synchronization, or

if said other apparatus is or becomes not connectable or not ready for synchronization, said automated synchronization and said switching off apparatus are is aborted., whereby said apparatus is not switched off, and

wherein the automatically switching off of the apparatus is such that all service functions of the apparatus are terminated.